

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Eric W. TRIPPLETT *et al.*

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Examiner: Irene MARX

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For:

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BACTERIAL INOCULANTS FOR ENHANCING PLANT GROWTH

**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to the issuance of the next Office Action in the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the enclosed Supplemental Amendment, consisting of a proper declaration by Eric W. TRIPPLETT under 37 CFR 1.132. If any additional claim fees are due or owing as a result of the filing of this Supplemental Amendment, authorization is given to charge deposit account number 04-2223.

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